

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 1. A contents conversion fee charging system
2 comprising:

3 a contents provider terminal to be operated by a contents
4 provider;

5 a contents server to store contents provided by said
6 contents provider;

7 a user terminal to be operated by a user;

8 a conversion server to convert said contents; and

9 wherein said contents provider is charged a conversion
10 fee for contents conversion performed by said conversion
11 server.

1 2. The contents conversion fee charging system
2 according to Claim 1, wherein, in said conversion, said
3 contents, when being described in a foreign language, are
4 translated into contents described in a native language of a
5 user.

1 3. A contents conversion fee charging system
2 comprising:

3 a contents provider terminal;

4 a contents server;

5 a user terminal;

6 a conversion server; and

7 wherein said contents provider terminal is so configured
8 as to provide said contents server with contents to be converted,
9 and to provide said conversion server with contents information
10 containing at least URL (Uniform Resource Locator) information

11 about said contents and contents provider information showing
12 a method of charging for conversion of said contents, such that
13 said contents information and contents provider information
14 are registered on said conversion server, and to receive
15 conversion fee information about conversion of said contents
16 from said conversion server,

17 wherein said contents server is so configured as to store
18 said contents provided by said contents provider, and to
19 transmit stored said contents to said conversion server by
20 request of said conversion server based on an instruction of
21 a conversion instruction banner,

22 wherein said user terminal is so configured as to select
23 and display said contents stored in said contents server, to
24 transmit to said conversion server conversion implementing
25 request information used to make a request of said conversion
26 server for conversion of said contents displayed in accordance
27 with said instruction of said conversion instructing banner
28 and to input and display results of conversion of said contents,

29 and wherein said conversion server is so configured as
30 to acquire and convert said contents to be converted from said
31 contents server, based on said conversion implementing request
32 information and to transmit said results of conversion of said
33 contents to said user terminal, and to produce conversion fee
34 information by calculating a conversion fee based on both
35 contents provider information stored in said contents
36 registered database and use history information registered on
37 said conversion processing storing device, and to transmit said
38 conversion fee information to said contents provider terminal
39 in order to charge said contents provider for conversion fees.

1 4. The contents conversion fee charging system
2 according to Claim 3, wherein said conversion server has a
3 contents registering device, a contents registered database,
4 a conversion request controlling device, a database reference
5 controlling device, a conversion processing storing device,
6 a conversion device, and a conversion fee calculating and
7 notifying device,

8 wherein said contents registering device is so
9 configured as to perform registration processing of said
10 contents provider information, and wherein said contents
11 registered database is so configured as to register said
12 contents provider information,

13 wherein said conversion request controlling device is
14 so configured as to refer to said contents registered database,
15 and to acquire from said contents server contents corresponding
16 to said conversion implementing request information, when said
17 contents are those to be converted, by the reference, and to
18 instruct said conversion device to perform said conversion of
19 acquired said contents and to transmit results of said
20 conversion of said contents performed by said conversion device
21 to said user terminal,

22 wherein said database reference controlling device is
23 so configured as to check, in response to a reference from said
24 conversion request controlling device, whether said contents
25 to be converted have been registered on said contents
26 registered database and, when said contents have been
27 registered, to permit said conversion request controlling
28 device to perform said conversion of said contents and, after
29 conversion, to transmit information that the conversion has

30 been performed to said conversion processing storing device
31 as use history information,

32 wherein said conversion processing storing device is so
33 configured as to store said use history information,

34 wherein said conversion device is so configured as to
35 perform said conversion of said contents to be converted and
36 to transmit results of said conversion to said user terminal,
37 and

38 wherein said conversion fee calculating and notifying
39 device is so configured as to produce said conversion fee
40 information by referring to said contents registered database
41 and said conversion processing storing device and by
42 calculating said conversion fee and to transmit said conversion
43 fee information to said contents provider terminal in order
44 to charge said contents provider for said conversion fee.

1 5. The contents conversion fee charging system
2 according to Claim 3, wherein, in said conversion, said
3 contents, when being described in a foreign language, are
4 translated into contents described in a native language of a
5 user.

1 6. A method of charging contents conversion fee
2 employed in a contents conversion fee charging system made up
3 of a contents provider terminal, a contents server, a user
4 terminal, and a conversion server, comprising:
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6 contents providing processing in which said contents
7 provider terminal provides said contents server with contents
to be converted,

8 contents provider information registering processing in
9 which said contents provider terminal provides said conversion
10 server with contents information containing at least URL
11 (Uniform Resource Locator) information about said contents and
12 contents provider information showing a method of charging for
13 conversion of said contents, such that said contents
14 information and contents provider information are registered
15 on said conversion server;

16 contents storing processing in which said contents
17 server stores said contents provided by said contents provider,

18 contents transmitting processing in which said contents
19 server transmits stored said contents to said conversion server
20 by request of said conversion server based on an instruction
21 of a conversion instruction banner,

22 contents displaying processing in which said user
23 terminal selects and displays said contents stored in said
24 contents server;

25 conversion request processing in which said user
26 terminal transmits conversion implementing request
27 information used to make a request of said conversion server
28 for said contents displayed in accordance with an instruction
29 of said conversion instructing banner;

30 converting processing in which said conversion server
31 refers to said contents registered database, and then acquires
32 and converts said contents to be converted from said contents
33 server, based on said conversion implementing request
34 information, and registers information that said conversion
35 has been performed as use history information on a storing
36 device;

37 conversion result transmitting processing in which said
38 conversion server transmits said results of conversion of said
39 contents to said user terminal,

40 conversion result displaying processing in which said
41 user terminal inputs and displays results of conversion of said
42 contents;

43 conversion fee information transmitting processing in
44 which said conversion server produces conversion fee
45 information by calculating said conversion fee based on both
46 contents provider information stored in said contents
47 registered database and use history information registered on
48 said storing device, and transmits said conversion fee
49 information produced to said contents provider terminal;

50 conversion fee information inputting processing in
51 which said contents provider terminal inputs said conversion
52 fee information through said conversion server; and

53 conversion fee charging processing in which said
54 contents provider terminal charges said contents provider for
55 said conversion fee, based on said conversion fee information.

1 7. The method of charging contents conversion fee
2 according to Claim 6, wherein, in said conversion, said
3 contents, when being described in a foreign language, are
4 translated into contents described in a native language of a
5 user.

1 8. A storage medium storing a control program to cause
2 a computer to implement functions of a contents conversion fee
3 charging system, said system comprising:

4 a contents provider terminal to be operated by a contents
5 provider;

6 a contents server to store contents provided by said
7 contents provider;

8 a user terminal to be operated by a user;

9 a conversion server to convert said contents; and

10 wherein said contents provider is charged a conversion
11 fee for contents conversion performed by said conversion
12 server.

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2 a computer to implement functions of a contents conversion fee
3 charging system, said system comprising:

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9 as to provide said contents server with contents to be converted,
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13 a method of charging for conversion of said contents, such that
14 said contents information and contents provider information
15 are registered on said conversion server, and to receive
16 conversion fee information about conversion of said contents

17 from said conversion server,
18 wherein said contents server is so configured as to store
19 said contents provided by said contents provider, and to
20 transmit stored said contents to said conversion server by
21 request of said conversion server based on an instruction of
22 a conversion instruction banner,
23 wherein said user terminal is so configured as to select
24 and display said contents stored in said contents server, to
25 transmit to said conversion server conversion implementing
26 request information used to make a request of said conversion
27 server for conversion of said contents displayed in accordance
28 with said instruction of said conversion instructing banner
29 and to input and display results of conversion of said contents,
30 and wherein said conversion server is so configured as to
31 acquire and convert said contents to be converted from said
32 contents server, based on said conversion implementing request
33 information and to transmit said results of conversion of said
34 contents to said user terminal, and to produce conversion fee
35 information by calculating a conversion fee based on both
36 contents provider information stored in said contents
37 registered database and use history information registered on
38 said conversion processing storing device, and to transmit said
39 conversion fee information to said contents provider terminal
40 in order to charge said contents provider for conversion fees.